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Re: Dr. Victor Buhler

Dr. Victor Buhler has spent the past several months as an examiner of hospital standards for the Joint Commission for Accreditation of Hospitals. He presently contemplates becoming the pathologist at Liberty Hospital located in the metropolitan Kansas City area.

For many years, Dr. Buhler was not only the pathologist at St. Joseph's Hospital in Kansas City but also had his own private laboratory. His available time was quite limited but we always found him of great assistance in connection with specific matters.

Dr. Buhler now has time to undertake certain literature reviews in a variety of fields including claimed effects of public smoking, ingredients of smoke (including "tar," nicotine and carbon monoxide) and the like. He has, over the years, followed and would like to continue to follow published work relating generally to smoking and health and, more particularly, that published by pathologists, such as Dr. Auerbach.

Dr. Buhler has indicated his willingness to spend a portion of his time, estimated at about forty hours a month,

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reviewing current literature of interest. The estimated cost of a special project to cover the period January through December, 1977, would be $18,000. This would include $15,000 payable to Dr. Buhler and $3,000 available for expenses.

I have discussed this with Dr. Gardner and recommend approval of this proposal as a CTR special project. A copy of Dr. Buhler's curriculum vitae is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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